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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As a resident and business owner in a rural area, I am keenly aware of our current lack of competitive Internet service providers. I provide IT services to our local community and often encounter issues where my clients are stuck with substandard, and / or expensive service because lack of other options. We currently have basically 3 choices for high-speed Internet: The phone company (Centurylink), GorgeNet (a local ISP), and the only cable company in this area (Wave Broadband). The first two choices highest offerings are DSL - 20 Mbps in this area. The cable company offers somewhat higher speeds but include a data cap. We need more competition, not less.

Thank you,

Geraldine Levden